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**ADVISORY BOARD ON PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS
Board of Medicine
Thursday, February 3, 2011**

The Advisory Board on Physician Assistants met Thursday, February 3, 2011, at 1:00 p.m. at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Richmond, Virginia.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rachel Carlson, PA-C, Chair
Thomas Parish, PA-C, Vice-Chair
Paul Marino, PA-C
James Potter, MD
Kishore Thota

STAFF PRESENT: William L. Harp, MD, Executive Director
Ola Powers, Deputy Executive Director for Licensing
Elaine Yeatts, Senior Regulatory Analyst
ShaRon Clanton, Licensing Specialist

GUESTS PRESENT: David Falkenstein, VAPA
Floyd Herdrich, L.A.c
Robert A. Glasgow, IV-VAPA
Philip Cohen, PA-C

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Carlson called the meeting to order.

EMERGENCY EGRESS PROCEDURES

Ms. Carlson announced the Emergency Evacuation Instructions prior to proceeding with the agenda.

ROLL CALL

Roll was called, and a quorum declared.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES DATED October 7, 2010

Ms. Carlson moved to approve the minutes dated October 7, 2010. The motion was seconded and carried.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Dr. Potter moved to approve the adoption of the agenda. The motion was seconded and carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

None

NEW BUSINESS

1. Legislative Report

Mrs. Yeatts gave a synopsis of the bills at the Legislature relevant to the profession of physician assisting.

2. Full Board's response to PA NOIRA

Dr. Harp related to the Advisory Board that the Full Board moved to adopt the NOIRA for promulgation of amendments to the Physician Assistant regulations.

3. Proposed Regulations

Mrs. Yeatts reviewed the proposed regulations as presented. Mr. Parish moved to recommend the proposed regulations to the Full Board at its June meeting. The motion was seconded and carried.

4. VAPA-Orthopedic Physician Assistant Correspondence

Mr. Parish described the history of orthopedic physician assistants. After some discussion it was determined that the letter from VAPA should be forwarded to the Board of Health Professions for review. Mr. Parish moved to recommend that if DHP were to recognize and oversee the profession of orthopedic physician assisting, a more appropriate designation would be Orthopedic Assistants (OAs), rather than physician assistants. The motion was seconded and carried.

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5. Update on Physician Assistant Survey

The Advisory Board reviewed the survey provided and noted several areas of concern. Mr. Marino moved to suggest changes to line 32, to include removing “Academia” from 32.a, amending 32.c to read, Patient Care-Primary and Patient Care-Specialty, and 32.h, to read Teaching-Clinical or classroom and add Other to 32.j. He also suggested adding Academic Institution to #9. The motion was seconded and carried

6. Conflict of Interest Training

Advisory members were provided information and instructions to complete the online Conflict of Interest training.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

June 9, 2011

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Thota moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded and carried. The meeting of the Advisory board was adjourned at 2:40 pm.

Rachel Carlson, PA-C, Chair

William L. Harp, M.D., Executive Director

ShaRon Clanton, Licensing Specialist